Energy Assistance & Conservation Guide

Programs are in place that can help families pay their heating bills this winter, including programs with direct cash assistance for heating costs and low- or no-interest long-term loans for energy-efficient upgrades.



State Sales Tax Exemptions

Connecticut provides sales tax exemptions for energy-efficient products including:

Water heaters

Geothermal heat pumps

Programmable thermostats

■Windows (ENERGY STAR standard)

- Insulation
- Caulking
- Doors
- •Fluorescent light bulbs
- Fluorescent tight butbs
- ■Furnaces (ENERGY STAR standard)

Information Online

One-stop source for home-heating assistance and energy links in English and Spanish: **www.senatedems.ct.gov/Energy**



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Save on Your Electric Bill

Choose Your

Electric Supplier

The rate you pay for the generation portion of your

lowered. **1-888-922-3782**

electric bill may be

The **NUSTART** program helps customers reduce or eliminate their past-due balance if they pay an agreed-upon amount each month.

1-800-286-2828

Home Energy Solutions provides energy audits for a subsidized fee of \$75. Call 1-877-947-3873 to see if you're eligible for any special programs. The **Matching Payment Program** provides year-round electric service

and possible forgiveness of back balances to low-income electric heating customers. **1-800-286-2828**

The Weatherization Residential Assistance Partnership (WRAP) helps income-eligible customers reduce their bills by making their homes more energy-efficient.

1-800-388-9727

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The Connecticut Energy
Assistance Program (CEAP) and the
Contingency Heating Assistance
Program (CHAP) help offset the
costs of winter heating and pay for
weatherization for income-eligible

residents. Department of Social Services (DSS), **1-800-842-1132**; Infoline, **211**

Operation Fuel provides energy assistance to income-eligible residents. Infoline, **211**

Energy Tax Credits

To help reduce energy costs and protect our environment, the federal government is offering tax credits to individuals who invest in making their homes more energy efficient.

www.energystar.gov

Web site links relating to many of the programs on this page can be found at **www.senatedems.ct.gov/Energy**